



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5098

LCO No. 279

Referred to Committee on Appropriations

Introduced by:

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AN ACT REDEFINING TERMS CONCERNING THE SPENDING CAP.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That section 2-33a of the general statutes be amended to redefine
2 "increase in inflation" to mean the increase in the consumer price index
3 for urban consumers during the preceding twenty-four-month period
4 ending December thirty-first of the calendar year preceding the fiscal
5 year to which the budget relates, according to United States Bureau of
6 Labor Statistics data, and "general budget expenditures" to mean
7 expenditures from appropriated funds authorized by public or special
8 act of the General Assembly, provided general budget expenditures
9 shall not include expenditures for payment of the principal of and
10 interest on bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness or
11 expenditures pursuant to section 4-30a of the general statutes.

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the constitutional limitation on the amount of expenditures that may be authorized by the General Assembly by redefining, with the approval of three-fifths of the members of each house, certain terms related to the spending cap.